public health and safety or to the environment.

(5) Spoil placed on the outslope during previous mining operations shall not be disturbed if such disturbances will cause instability of the remaining spoil or otherwise increase the hazard to the public health and safety or to the environment.

## §819.21 Auger mining: Protection of underground mining.

Auger holes shall not extend closer than 500 feet (measured horizontally) to any abandoned or active underground mine workings, except as approved in accordance with §816.79 of this chapter.

## PART 820—SPECIAL PERMANENT PROGRAM PERFORMANCE STANDARDS—ANTHRACITE MINES IN PENNSYLVANIA

Sec.

820.1 Scope.

820.2 Objective.

820.11 Performance standards: Anthracite mines in Pennsylvania.

AUTHORITY: Secs. 102, 201, 501, 503, 504, 529, Pub. L. 95–97, 91 Stat. 448, 449, 467, 470, 471, 514 (30 U.S.C. 1202, 1211, 1251, 1253, 1254, 1279).

#### § 820.1 Scope.

This part sets forth environmental protection performance standards for anthracite surface coal mining and reclamation operations in Pennsylvania.

[44 FR 15449, Mar. 13, 1979]

### §820.2 Objective.

This part implements subsection 529(a) of the Act, which requires the Secretary to adopt special performance standards for anthracite mines regulated by special environmental protection performance standards of a State as of the date of enactment of the Act.

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### §820.11 Performance standards: Anthracite mines in Pennsylvania.

Anthracite mines in Pennsylvania, as specified in section 529 of the Act, shall comply with its approved State program, including Commonwealth of Pennsylvania statutes and regulations, and revisions thereto that are approved

by OSM pursuant to part 732 of this chapter.

[47 FR 44943, Oct. 12, 1982]

# PART 822—SPECIAL PERMANENT PROGRAM PERFORMANCE STANDARDS—OPERATIONS IN ALLUVIAL VALLEY FLOORS

Sec.

822.1 Scope.

822.10 Information collection.

822.11 Essential hydrologic functions.

822.12 Protection of agricultural activities.

822.13 Monitoring.

AUTHORITY: Pub. L. 95-87, 30 U.S.C. 1201 et sea.

SOURCE: 48 FR 29822, June 28, 1983, unless otherwise noted.

#### § 822.1 Scope.

This part sets forth additional requirements for surface coal mining and reclamation operations on or which affect alluvial valley floors in the arid and semiarid regions of the country.

#### §822.10 Information collection.

The information collection requirements contained in §822.13 have been approved by the Office of Management and Budget under 44 U.S.C. 3507 and assigned clearance number 1029-0049. The information is being collected to meet the requirements of sections 510(b)(5) and 515(b)(10)(F) of the Act which provide the information collection requirements and performance standards for alluvial valley floors. This information will be used to enable the regulatory authority to assess the impact of the proposed operation during the permanent regulatory program. The obligation to respond is mandatory.

## §822.11 Essential hydrologic functions.

- (a) The operator of a surface coal mining and reclamation operation shall minimize disturbances to the hydrologic balance by preserving throughout the mining and reclamation process the essential hydrologic functions of an alluvial valley floor not within the permit area.
- (b) The operator of a surface coal mining and reclamation operation